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LB 983

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I would hope that there would be a majority of the members that would be present on this thing at this time. This bill is a bill which I have introduced specifically to answer a problem which exists in the 23rd Legislative District, more specifically it exists right in David City, Nebraska, which is my home town. A company known as Tempte Manufacturing Company moved there several years ago. At that time they began the construction of grain trailers and at the present time I believe they have employed about seventy people. It has been a very successful operation for them. They are very well liked in the community. They have expanded their operation and have performed I think a very excellent job of demonstrating that you can move from a highly populated area such as Denver, Colorado, to Nebraska and establish a manufacturing plant in an area which was not very heavily industrialized and be very successful at it. They are very pleased with the employees they have in David City, very pleased with the reception they have received in the city and the county, the community in the State of Nebraska, and they want to expand their operation. I have and will hand out to you a number of handouts, I would like to have the Pages come up here if they would, please, and pick them up, that will explain some of the problems which they have. I am going to hand out to you a letter from the Mayor of David City in support of the bill. Mayor Novak is not a very political person but he understands fully the impact of Tempte Manufacturing upon the City of David and its community. Also I want to hand out an editorial that appeared in the Fremont Tribune. There is an error in that editorial and I want to call that to your attention. The editorial mistakenly assumes that the bill which requires a fee of \$250 per trailer is on each trailer. It is actually a \$250 fee for the company, the manufacturer, paid only once a year. I would like to just briefly go through the bill with you. The bill allows the Department of Roads to issue permits for extra long vehicle combinations and in this instance a triple trailer not to exceed 105 feet, to be transported across the streets and highways of the State of Nebraska. It provides that the vehicles must be empty and that they are to be delivered by